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REMARKS

Applicant hereby requests that as set forth in MPEP 714.16(d), which gives the Office of Patent Publication the authority to waive the requirement of 37 CFR 1.312, that the Office of Publication accept the above amendments to the claims after payment of the issue fee.

Claims 27 – 33 are clearly method claims but inadvertently were recited as "apparatus" claims. The limitations of the claims were introduced as "the method comprising". The present amendment merely corrects this informal error and makes the claims internally consistent as method claims.

Inasmuch as this amendment does not affect the scope of the claims and is merely correcting an informality, Applicants request entry of this amendment by the Office of Publications.

Alternate Request for a Certificate of Correction

If this amendment is not considered to be entered in the present application, please consider this as a request for a certificate of correction with the above amendments to be issued in the correction. Applicants submit that this is an error which is not the fault of the Patent Office and which is simply a correction of a clerical or typographical sense. In this regard, if the Commissioner grants this request for a Certificate of Correction, the Commissioner is authorized to **debit deposit account 502960** (The Law Office of Thomas M. Isaacson) the required fee, reference number 112576Con-2.

Any questions may be directed to the undersigned.

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